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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 1 (previously amended) A liquid cleaning composition for a textile substrate consisting of:

- (a) from about 2.0 to about 75 parts by weight of at least one absorbent particulate, said absorbent particulate being selected from the group consisting of a urea formaldehyde polymeric material, polyurethane, cellulosic particles, and mixtures thereof, wherein said absorbent particulate has an average particle size of from about 10 to about 300 microns in diameter and an oil absorption value of at least 40;
- (b) at least 35 parts water, wherein said water contains a surfactant sufficient to provide a surface tension of less than about 40 dynes per centimeter;
- (c) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of a dispersion stabilizing agent selected from the group consisting of cellulosic polymers, clay compounds, xanthan gums, and mixtures thereof, wherein said dispersion stabilizing agent is present in an amount sufficient to produce a stable or easily redispersed dispersion; and
- (d) at least one compound selected from the group consisting of a pH adjuster, a biocide, and a fragrance.

Claim 2 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein said average particle size of said absorbent particulate is from about 10 to about 200 microns.

Claim 3 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein said average particle size of said absorbent particulate is from about 10 to about 105 microns.

Claim 4 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein said average particle size of said absorbent particulate is from about 35 to about 105 microns.

Claim 5 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein said absorbent particulate is urea formaldehyde polymeric material.

Claims 6 - 7 (cancelled)

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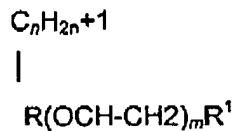
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Claim 8 (currently amended) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein part "b" of said liquid cleaning composition comprises contains at least 50 parts water, wherein said water contains a surfactant sufficient to provide a surface tension of less than about 40 dynes per centimeter.

Claim 9 (currently amended) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein part "b" of said liquid cleaning composition comprises contains at least 75 parts water, wherein said water contains a surfactant sufficient to provide a surface tension of less than about 40 dynes per centimeter.

Claim 10 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein said surfactant is selected from the group consisting of nonionic surfactants, anionic surfactants, cationic surfactants, and combinations thereof.

Claim 11 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 10, wherein said surfactant is a nonionic surfactant, and wherein said nonionic surfactant has the formula:



where n is 0 or 1, m is 3 to 20, R<sup>1</sup> is OH or OCH<sub>3</sub>, R is C<sub>12</sub> to C<sub>22</sub> alkyl or phenyl or naphthyl optionally substituted by C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>10</sub> alkyl groups.

Claim 12 (original) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 10, wherein said surfactant is an anionic surfactant, and wherein said anionic surfactant is a long chain alcohol sulfate ester or an alkylene oxide additive of C<sub>6</sub>-C<sub>10</sub> mono and diesters of ortho-phosphoric acid.

Claims 13 – 17 (cancelled)

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Claim 18 (previously amended) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 1, wherein said biocide is selected from the group consisting of potassium sorbate, an isothiazolone compound and mixtures thereof.

Claims 19 – 25 (cancelled)

Claim 25 (second instance – cancelled)

Claim 26 – 30 (cancelled)

Claim 31 (previously amended) A liquid cleaning composition for a textile substrate consisting of:

- (a) from about 2.0 to about 75 parts by weight of at least one absorbent particulate, said absorbent particulate being selected from the group consisting of a urea formaldehyde polymeric material, polyurethane, cellulosic particles, and mixtures thereof, wherein said absorbent particulate has an average particle size of from about 10 to about 300 microns in diameter and an oil absorption value of at least 40;
- (b) at least 35 parts water, wherein said water contains a surfactant sufficient to provide a surface tension of less than about 40 dynes per centimeter;
- (c) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of a dispersion stabilizing agent selected from the group consisting of cellulosic polymers, clay compounds, xanthan gums, and mixtures thereof, wherein said dispersion stabilizing agent is present in an amount sufficient to produce a stable or easily redispersed dispersion; and
- (d) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of a vacuum retrieval additive selected from the group consisting of polyoxyalkylene materials, aluminum silicate clay, hydrolyzed styrene maleic anhydride, and mixtures thereof.

Claims 32 – 33 (cancelled)

Claim 34 (previously amended) A liquid cleaning composition for a textile substrate consisting of:

- (a) from about 2.0 to about 75 parts by weight of at least one absorbent particulate, said absorbent particulate being selected from the group consisting of a urea formaldehyde polymeric material, polyurethane, cellulosic particles, and mixtures

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thereof, wherein said absorbent particulate has an average particle size of from about 10 to about 300 microns in diameter and an oil absorption value of at least 40;

- (b) at least 35 parts water, wherein said water contains a surfactant sufficient to provide a surface tension of less than about 40 dynes per centimeter;
- (c) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of a dispersion stabilizing agent selected from the group consisting of cellulosic polymers, clay compounds, xanthan gums, and mixtures thereof, wherein said dispersion stabilizing agent is present in an amount sufficient to produce a stable or easily redispersed dispersion;
- (d) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of a vacuum retrieval additive selected from the group consisting of polyoxyalkylene materials, aluminum silicate clay, hydrolyzed styrene maleic anhydride, and mixtures thereof; and
- (e) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of at least one compound selected from the group consisting of a pH adjuster, a fragrance, and an organic liquid, wherein said organic liquid is selected from the group consisting of C<sub>1</sub> to C<sub>4</sub> aliphatic alcohols, high boiling hydrocarbon solvents, and mixtures thereof.

Claims 35 – 36 (cancelled)

Claim 37 (previously amended) A liquid cleaning composition for a textile substrate consisting of:

- (a) from about 2.0 to about 75 parts by weight of at least one absorbent particulate, said absorbent particulate being selected from the group consisting of a urea formaldehyde polymeric material, polyurethane, cellulosic particles, and mixtures thereof, wherein said absorbent particulate has an average particle size of from about 10 to about 300 microns in diameter and an oil absorption value of at least 40;
- (b) at least 35 parts water, wherein said water contains a surfactant sufficient to provide a surface tension of less than about 40 dynes per centimeter; and
- (c) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of a dispersion stabilizing agent selected from the group consisting of cellulosic polymers, clay compounds, xanthan gums, and mixtures thereof, wherein said dispersion stabilizing agent is

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present in an amount sufficient to produce a stable or easily redispersed dispersion;

- (d) from about 0.01 to about 50 parts by weight of an acrylic stain resist agent; and
- (e) an aerosol propellant.

Claim 38 (cancelled)

Claim 39 (previously presented) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 31, wherein said absorbent particulate is urea formaldehyde polymeric material.

Claim 40 (previously presented) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 34, wherein said absorbent particulate is urea formaldehyde polymeric material.

Claim 41 (previously presented) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 37, wherein said absorbent particulate is urea formaldehyde polymeric material.

Claim 42 (previously presented) The liquid cleaning composition of claim 37, wherein said aerosol propellant is selected from the group consisting of propane, butane, carbon dioxide and mixtures thereof.